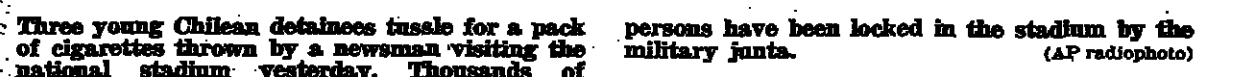


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**NYLAGO.** — A bomb exploded Tuesday in a fashionable area of the U.S. Coast Troops conducted a house-by-house search for the bombers. Officials denied news that the city's water supply had been poisoned.

Troops with automatic weapons continued search operations for snipers loyal to late President Salvador Allende, thrown by a military coup on November 11.

Frank Tonini, the U.S. Ambassador committed sabotage or resisted the military would be turned over to police. He also said 240 of the prisoners were from a large number of countries.

In Miami, an American couple held in Chile for a week, said they had witnessed the killing of 400 to 500 prisoners. Patricia and Adam Schesch, graduate students at the University of Wisconsin, were released on Friday and expelled from Chile. Schesch, 31, said, "We personally saw the shooting of 400 to 500 prisoners, in groups of 30 to 40, at the National Stadium where we were being held." His wife, Patricia, 30, said they also had seen and heard a stage actor and other prisoners, many of them foreigners. Schesch was beaten on the night he was arrested and "they told me I would be shot," he said.

But the Chilean junta termed the report "absolutely baseless." A spokesman said, "I assure you that not even one person, let alone 400 or 500, has been executed." (UPI, AP)

By **ARI RATH**  
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

**BUENOS AIRES.** — Nearly 14 million Argentines went to the polls yesterday in one of the quietest and most uneventful elections in the country's history — with the results seen a foregone conclusion. As one paper commented, "Eighteen years, seven generals, three constitutions and one stand-in President later, Argentina is again Peron's."

The three other candidates were Ricardo Balbin, 69, of the Radical Civil Union, Francisco Manrique of the rightist Federal Alliance, and Juan Carlos Coral of the Socialist Workers Party.

Buenos Aires today enjoyed one of the quietest Sundays in recent months. All restaurants, bars, clubs and cinemas were closed until the evening — to make it easier for voters to fulfill their obligatory function to go to the polls.

The quiet polling day was in line with the anti-climactic election campaign which attracted much smaller crowds than any previous one. There were thousands of polling stations all over Buenos Aires, with only some 250-300 voters at each station, making for smooth and quick voting.

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — President Nixon's home affairs adviser, Melvin Laird, told Americans yesterday that they will probably face petrol rationing this winter — possibly in the next few weeks.

Speaking over television, Mr. Laird assuaged fears that there would be no tax increase this year. But he said there might not even be time for the administration to co-operate with Congress, as it would like to do, to devise an oil rationing scheme.

Asked if such a plan would be carried out in the next few weeks, he replied, "I think it will have to be implemented."

Meanwhile, President Nixon's popularity rating has slipped further despite his efforts to restore confidence in his leadership, according to a public opinion poll published yesterday.

In a nationwide Gallup poll, only 35 per cent of those interviewed approved of the way Mr. Nixon was doing his job, while 55 per cent disapproved.

Public discontent over rising inflation and continuing scepticism about the President's claims of innocence in the Watergate affair were apparently the chief causes of his drop in popularity.

an Israeli may be, Mrs. Meir said: "Bitter experience has taught us that all the preaching at us by friends to have patience does not help... Inasmuch as we do not seek an open war, we are obliged to pursue this inescapable confron-

**By ANAN SAFADI**  
Jerusalem, Tel Arab Affairs Reporter

There has been an increase in the rate of emigration by Arab residents from East Jerusalem and the administered areas in the last few months, according to informed sources.

Precise figures are unavailable, but several Western consulates report a recent rise in the number of visa applications.

At the same time, the number of Arabs who are turning in their Israeli identity cards on crossing the bridges into Jordan has increased, as has the number of residents in the administered areas who failed to return from trips to Jordan and other Arab countries.

In the six years since the end of the Six Day War, about 80,000 residents of the administered areas (Continued on page 2, col. 3)

**By YAACOV FRIEDLER**  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

**HAIFA.**— The crew of the Nili yesterday agreed to clear through customs all of the goods they had brought with them, in cooperation with the Department's fight against smuggling. A total of IL\$2,000 in duties and taxes was paid on IL\$50,000 worth of goods.

The Department had assembled a large group of inspectors to meet the Nili, one of Israel's two passenger ships, and prevent the seamen from smuggling goods into the country. Crew members are allowed only IL\$7.50 worth of duty-free goods, and IL100 worth of dutiable goods.

A private investigator's study, commissioned by the Zim Company, reported two weeks ago that the

**RAMBLE.** — Two men were killed and 58 injured here yesterday when a lorry carrying Arab labourers from Ramallah collided with another, also filled with workmen from the same area.

Ali Mahmoud Sarraj, 40, and Ribhi Atiya, 35, both from a village near Ramallah, were fatally injured when one of the trucks rammed into the back of the other as it stopped at a level crossing.

Private cars and ambulances took the injured to the Gheba hospital. Both men died in hospital. All but one of the other injured were discharged after treatment.

In another accident, Shooehna Davidovitch, 68, of 6 Rehov George Eliot, Tel Aviv, died from injuries sustained when she was hit by a tender while crossing the Gheba highway Saturday night. (11/10)

- Exclusive interview with Senator Abraham Ribicoff who tells our Washington correspondent the energy crisis could affect U.S. policy towards Israel — DANIEL GOTTLIB.
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## OUTGOING O.C. CENTRAL COMMAND:

# 'Death penalty would discourage terrorist attacks on civilians'

By HIRSH GOODMAN

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — The outgoing O.C. Central Command, Aluf Rehavam Ze'evi, said yesterday that the death penalty should be mandatory for terrorists who have shed innocent blood.

Aluf Ze'evi, who is due to retire in active service on October 1, said military correspondents here yesterday that only the death penalty would provide a strong enough deterrent to discourage Arab terrorists from attacking innocent civilians.

At present, he said, "life imprisonment hardly poses a viable deterrent for terrorists bent on killing innocent civilians." The good conditions in Israel's prisons, and hope that an eventual peace settlement would bring a general amnesty for imprisoned terrorists, made a jail sentence "bearable for those who murder and who have to lose for their crimes but few years of freedom."

Aluf Ze'evi, who has been credited with masterminding the successful sealing of the Jordanian front during the Six Day War, said he did not think that the death penalty would apply to terrorists who are captured after a clash with Israeli forces — even if an Israeli soldier killed in the clash — nor to terrorists convicted of any crime other than murdering civilians.

The general was not sure whether the death penalty would deter terrorists like Kozo Okamoto and his Japanese compatriots who landed down more than 100 persons at Lod Airport in May last year. "But I know the Arab mentality and the death penalty will deter them," he said.

Aluf Ze'evi, who has been commanding officer of the Central Command for five years and three months, said he had no idea what



Aluf Rehavam Ze'evi

he would do after he retires from over 25 years of active service next month. "All I know is that I will not be going into politics — at least not in the immediate future."

He said that he had been offered "serious and responsible" civilian jobs that he will consider when he dons his uniform, and not before.

Aluf Ze'evi was highly critical of generals who leave the army and stop directly into politics. He called the process "undemocratic," adding that since all parties were guilty nobody makes a fuss about it. He said that all officers who leave the army should be forced to wait for at least a year before entering politics so as to give them time to acquaint themselves with the problems of civilian life and the demands of the country's citizens.

Reviewing security problems in Judea, Samaria and the Gaza Strip — for which he assumed responsibility from the Southern Command nearly two years ago — Aluf Ze'evi

said that the open bridges had certain disadvantages from the security point of view, but at the same time had reaped other benefits.

He attributed the relative quiet in the Gaza Strip — until recently the most problematic of the administered territories — to a combination of effective security measures and a liberal policy. Thanks to the Pithat Rafah buffer zone, he said, arms abandoned in Sinai by armies fleeing from three wars in the area had been made almost unavailable to terror rings in Gaza. Also, a concerted effort by land, sea and air forces to close the shore to arms smugglers had been almost totally effective. In addition, security authorities had uncovered most of the arms caches and terrorist organizations in Gaza itself, putting a virtual end to terrorism in the region.

From March 1972 until today, he revealed, nine terrorists had been killed by security forces in Gaza while another 1,223 had been arrested. Currently, he added, there is only one man on the wanted list — down from 57 in January.

Aluf Ze'evi was also satisfied with the situation on the West Bank, saying that there had been a drastic drop in the number of incidents in the area over the past few years. All in all, there had been a total of 412 incidents in the area since the Six Day War, 132 of them in 1968 alone. He said that during the five years and three months of his command there had been about 930 infiltrations into Israel from over the Jordanian border. The result: over 500 terrorists either captured or killed. In Judea and Samaria, security forces had killed 66 terrorists, while nearly 7,500 arms arrests had been made. Of those arrested, he said, at least two-thirds have been released. Today there are but six terrorists on the wanted list in the West Bank, down from over 70 in 1968.



Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren extends the traditional blessing to two children at an absorption center. The Chief Rabbi, accompanied by Rabbi Mordechai Kirschblum (right), acting chairman of the Jewish Agency Immigration and Absorption Department, visited new immigrants at three absorption centers yesterday, and offered them greetings for Rosh Hashana. One of the hostels caters for families where one of the parents is non-Jewish. (Israel Sun)

## Holiday foodstuffs plentiful but costly

By SARAH HONIG

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Foodstuffs for Rosh Hashana festive meals are dearer this year, but not due to pre-holiday price hikes so much as to the generally inflationary situation. Nevertheless, outdoor markets, corner groceries and supermarkets were already crowded yesterday as housewives began to stock provisions for the long new year's weekend.

Fruits and vegetables are particularly costly as the supply of certain summer crops begins to fall off. New autumn fruits are making their first appearance, but they are still scarce and their prices high. The season's first tangerines are selling for IL1.40 a kilo, but will become cheaper as supplies increase later in the season. Small, rather hard and juiceless grapefruits are also becoming available — at IL1.20 a kilo. The price of a traditional Rosh Hashana staple, apples, remained stable — ranging from IL1.70 to IL3.40 a kilo depending on type, size and colour.

Tomatoes were especially ex-

pensive yesterday selling for IL3.20 a kilo. Carrots sold for IL1.50 a kilo, cucumbers for IL1.70, and string beans for IL2.80 a kilo. The price of grapes ranged from between IL1.70 to IL2.80 a kilo.

Away from the vegetable and fruit counters, the housewife will find the picture a little rosier. The price of chicken, for example, even took a slight drop in some Dan region butchershops this week, where, at IL5.50 a kilo, it could be had for 20 agorot less than a few days ago. Turkey cuts ranged from IL3.50 to IL14 a kilo, with turkey livers costing IL17 a kilo.

Carp, used for the traditional gentle fish on many holiday tables, also remained stable at IL3.50 a kilo.

Although prices are up for most foodstuffs, they are, on the whole, in plentiful supply. Pre-holiday shopping sprees have not led to any large scale price increases, but housewives who leave their shopping to the very last minute may find that prices will take a sudden climb on the eve of Rosh Hashana tomorrow and Wednesday.

## Free entry for Abie Nathan

Jerusalem Post Staff

ASHDOD. — "Peace" radio broadcaster Abie Nathan yesterday landed here aboard a motor launch, abandoning his promise to stay aboard his ship "The Voice of Peace" until Jews and Arabs settled their differences.

A Government source said Attorney General Meir Shamgar ordered port authorities to grant Mr. Nathan free entry. The source said the Government would not arrest Mr. Nathan for alleged violation of a 1967 court probation order, forbidding him to try to enter an Arab

country. Mr. Nathan told newsmen on his arrival here that coming ashore and breaking his pledge had hurt his pride. But he decided to this in order to settle some problems, including the lack of manpower on his ship. He needs at least 20 persons aboard and at present has only 10.

Mr. Nathan hopes that during his stay he will manage to persuade a number of volunteers to come aboard and work on the Peace Ship. He also wants to settle a number of financial problems.

## Aksa desecration denied

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

Moslem community leaders in East Jerusalem yesterday ridiculed an Amman report claiming that Israel authorities have destroyed a "historic mosaic portrait" of the 12th century Moslem warrior, Saladin, in Jerusalem's al-Aksa mosque.

"It is astonishing that such a claim was made in a Moslem country," one leader said, noting that the Moslem religion strictly forbids the presence of portraits in its holy places.

The claim was made by the official Jordanian news agency which said yesterday that the Israel "occupation" authorities

have destroyed the portrait of Saladin, the great Moslem military strategist who ousted the Crusaders from most of Palestine in the 12th Century. The agency claimed that the colorful mosaic portrait of the warrior in full battle dress was placed on the eastern wall of the al-Aksa mosque on Temple Mount in the Old City.

"It is ridiculous," a member of the influential Jerusalem Supreme Moslem Council said of the report, stressing that Moslem shrines can be decorated only with geometric designs and verses from the Koran. The production of the human figure is strictly forbidden, he said.

## Upper Volta Meir leaves for Strasbourg official here next week; Eban for U.N. or aid talks

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

senior official of the Government of Upper Volta is in Israel today to broaden the ties between two countries. Mr. Lompono, formerly Foreign Minister and adviser to the Prime Minister, is in talks with Foreign Ministry officials yesterday that will supply more agricultural assistance to his country.

Mr. Kone envisaged more Israeli assistance and irrigation experts sent to his country and the vision of training courses for Upper Volta agriculture students there and in Israel.

Mr. Kone brought an oral message from his Prime Minister to Meir, which he is due to deliver today or tomorrow. His itinerary begins with a visit to Yad Vashem Memorial, followed by a meeting with Foreign Minister

Premier Golda Meir is to leave for Strasbourg, France, next week to address the Council of Europe. She will be away for several days, but her precise arrival and departure dates have not been announced for security reasons.

The Cabinet yesterday formally approved her trip — and also that of Foreign Minister Abba Eban to the U.N. at New York. Mr. Eban will leave this week. Several meetings with other foreign ministers and delegation leaders have been scheduled for him before October 3, when he is to address the Assembly in the general debate.

Mr. Eban will be going to New York again in November to participate in the Assembly's Middle East debate.

Mr. Eban spoke briefly at the Cabinet yesterday of the disappointing results of the ICAO (International Civil Aviation Organization) meeting at Rome, which failed to adopt any positive measures to fight hijacking. He said there had been — fortunately — enough enlightened states to foil Arab-inspired efforts to legislate against interference of airline flights by states but not by individual hijackers. Unfortunately, however, all attempts to pass substantive resolutions against hijacking were blocked by the Arabs and their sympathizers.

## Israel tennis players invited to Nigeria meet

By JACK LEON

TEL AVIV. — Israeli tennis players will play for the first time in Black Africa if — as is expected — the Israel Lawn Tennis Association accepts the invitation to send two men and two women to the second Nigerian International Tournament due to start in Benin on October 31.

Israel's leading players, Yehoshua Shalem and Yosef Stabholz, were due to take part in an international tournament, also in Nigeria, in 1971.

## Terrorist gets 22 years added to life term

Jerusalem Post Reporter

GAZA. — A military court here on Friday added 22 years to the life sentence of a 24-year-old terrorist who was originally convicted for putting a bomb on a bus. The additional time was given to Mohammed Ali Ismail Awad Sh'bat for firing on an army vehicle and injuring the driver.

Sh'bat of Beit Hanun had been sentenced 18 months ago by a Lydda military court to death for placing a bomb on a Tira-Tel Aviv bus. His sentence was later commuted to life imprisonment. The shooting for which he was tried on Friday took place on June 10, 1971 in Beit Hanun.

Sh'bat, who refused counsel, brought six witnesses to the court, who, he said, saw the police forcing him to admit to the shooting. However, one witness said he did not know what Sh'bat was talking about, and the other contradicted himself under cross-examination by prosecutor Segen Yaron Rabinowicz.

## J.W.B. opens office in Jerusalem

The National Jewish Welfare Board (JWB) has opened an office in Jerusalem through a \$100,000 grant from the Solomon and Mary Litt Foundation. The Board is an association of Jewish Community Centres, Y.M. and Y.W.H.A.'s and children's camps in North America. The Jerusalem office, which will be headed by Asher Tarmom, former executive director of the World Federation of Y.M.H.A.s and J.C.C.s. Its activities will include training programmes in Israel for its personnel, and preparing shikhs here for work in the U.S. and Canada.

ISRAEL BEAT SCOTLAND 110-89 at basketball in Edinburgh yesterday, in the first match of their tour abroad prior to the European championships. Top scorers for Israel were Brodie 19, Berkowitz 18, and Elimer 17 points. Israel plays

but this was cancelled at the last minute because of the small foreign entry.

This year's tournament offers \$5,000 in prize money. Last year, it attracted players from France, Italy, Mexico, the Soviet Union, Spain and the U.S.

In other tennis, Maccabi Tel Aviv and Hapoel Tel Aviv qualified for the final in the State Tennis Cup — for the third year running. They both won their semi-finals matches 2-1, Maccabi edging out Tel Aviv Maccabi Tel Aviv Tsafon, and Hapoel beating Maccabi Rishon LeZion. Both results were decided on the doubles match, the singles having been split.

Both Shalem and Stabholz lost their matches — Shalem (Hapoel) going down to Reuven Porjes (Rishon LeZion) 7-6, 7-4, and Stabholz (Tsafon) being upset by Yair Wertheimer (Maccabi T.A.) 6-2, 4-6, 6-4. This was the second defeat for the two men in 24 hours, both having lost in the "Double Round-Robin" competition organized by national coach, Ian Froman, to decide the Israeli squad for the Davis Cup tie against Iran in Teheran next month.

Hapoel's 14th Annual Tennis Championships started here last weekend, and will be concluded on Friday and Saturday. Some 200 youngsters are taking part from all over the country, double last year's entry.

## Supreme Court refuses to hold acquitted man

The Supreme Court on Friday ruled that it has the authority to order the detention of a man acquitted of armed robbery in a trial by a lower court, but it permitted his release on bail.

The court was hearing an appeal by the prosecution against the acquittal of Daniel — "Kush" — Eli tried by the Beersheba District Court for taking part in the armed robbery of Bank Hapoel in Ashdod last year. At the same trial, another suspect was found guilty and sentenced to 15 years in prison. The three-judge panel of the District Court said they were convinced Eli took part in the robbery, but had to acquit him for insufficient evidence.

The prosecution, along with its appeal against the verdict, asked the Supreme Court to remand Eli — a move which has no precedent in Israel. After a lengthy legal argument, the court ruled it was authorized to do this, but did not find it necessary. It set bail at IL20,000, and ordered Eli's passport deposited with the police. Eli is to be released from prison tomorrow, at the end of a year's sentence for a burglary

## Laifa couple still missing

Jerusalem Post Reporter

FA. — A force of over 150 men, aided by trackers, bloodhounds and a helicopter, yesterday began the search for the elderly couple who disappeared from the not far from their home Monday.

The day-long search in the wadis, hills and woods of Mount Carmel surrounding the home revealed no trace, and police have given up hope of finding the two alive in the mountains.

The police spokesman last night said to the public for information about the couple, Paul and E. Hirschman, aged 81 and 78, in hope that they might have left areas. Mr. Hirschman was described as 1.80 metres tall, thin, white hair and moustache, and eyes. His wife is 1.60 metres thin, with white hair, a long and fair complexion.

Their disappearance was discovered only on Friday evening when son-in-law came to visit them.

SECONDARY SCHOOL pupils in a will be able to find help in mathematics, English, physics and history lessons twice a week at the Central Municipal Library in Jaffa Centre for Voluntary Services announced. The service will be on Mondays and Thursdays, between 5 and 7 p.m.

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## Hussein won't let terrorists re-enter Jordan in force

BEIRUT. — King Hussein of Jordan indicated in an interview published yesterday that he will not allow Palestinian terrorists to re-enter Jordan in force. In an interview published in the Beirut newspaper "An-Nahar," the Jordanian monarch said his amnesty last week aimed at giving an opportunity "to those who wish to rejoin our ranks to contribute to this country's stability and strength."

"This does not mean that anyone will be permitted to jeopardize the accomplishments of this country or threaten its stability and security," Hussein said.

The amnesty freed 1,000 political prisoners, many of them terrorists and removed 2,000 others from the wanted list.

Hussein rejected suggestions that the general amnesty was the direct result of pressure from Egyptian and Syrian leaders. He said the pardon was initiated "to bring joy to every home, every city and every village and to every member of our big family on our land, in the occupied territories and in most parts of the great Arab homeland."

The King was asked whether the amnesty aimed at reconciliation with the Palestinian terrorist movement in anticipation of some form of agreement on the movement's return to Jordan after its expulsion in bloody battles with the Jordanian army three years ago.

"I want to stress here that the step was not the result of bargaining, discussions, influence or pres-

sure from any party," the Jordanian monarch replied.

"The door is wide-open before any loyal person to return to the ranks of the (Jordanian) family, and it is firmly closed in the face of anyone contemplating to undermine or harm this family in any way," he said.

The King denied widespread reports of schism among Jordanian rulers over the amnesty and said, "We in Jordan represent one state, one people and one cohesive family with one opinion and one stand at the time. Any stand or decision we take is the result of full realization of our duty and bitter experiences... and we have decided to close the door and continue to close it in the face of any dangers threatening our basic principles."

### AVOID HASTE

Turning to the recent summit in Cairo with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Syrian President Hafez al-Assad, King Hussein said the meeting was "a springboard for action endorsed by all of us — common interest to create a lasting and strong frame. We shall attempt to avoid rushing into any action which would cause setbacks or convulsions, as was the case in the past. We want all our steps to be firm along a clear path to serve our cause and our people."

The King apparently declined to discuss in specific details a question on whether Jordan was willing to agree to the presence of Arab regular military forces on its territory.

"When it comes to military matters, we dwell on essentials and leave formalities aside," he said. But he added that the Cairo summit was "the right step in the correct path."

### ALL RELEASED

Meanwhile, Jordanian Justice Minister Salem al-Masadeh has said that all prisoners covered by the general amnesty have been released. He added that all nationals of other Arab countries who were convicted or detained in connection with the September 1970 fighting between the Jordanian army and Palestinian terrorists have also been released.

He pointed out that the amnesty covered only political prisoners and detainees and not persons charged with other crimes, such as murder, drug trafficking and sexual offenses.

Meanwhile, a number of Jordanians sought by the authorities for offenses against state security have returned to the country, according to official sources here. These persons will be rehabilitated by the authorities since they were covered by terms of the general amnesty, the sources added.

(Reuters, UPI)

## 'NEW DAYAN PLAN' Split Sinai, allow Egyptians to cross

LONDON (UPI). — Defence Minister Moshe Dayan has worked out a new plan for a partial settlement with Egypt under which Israel and Egypt would split Sinai, the "Sunday Times" said here yesterday.

"He is confident of Cabinet approval and hopes to sell it (the plan) to the U.S. Secretary of State, Henry Kissinger, by offering to drop Israel's two-year-old refusal to let Egyptian troops cross the Suez Canal in the first stage of a peace agreement," the newspaper said.

"It would then be up to Kis-

singer, who is expected to start a new peace initiative in December, to put the proposal to Egypt," it said.

Israel objected to Egyptian troops crossing the Canal under an American-sponsored interim settlement proposal in 1971 because it feared Russia might encourage Egypt to break an agreement limiting the number of troops to 750, the "Sunday Times" said. "Dayan believes this danger no longer exists since the Russians were expelled by President Sadat last year," it said.

Dayan argues that by making a concession over an Egyptian crossing, Israel will "relieve the international pressure on her... if Cairo refused the offer Israel could not be blamed for the continuing deadlock," the newspaper said.

If a partial settlement is reached Dayan then hopes for a long "freeze" of perhaps 20 years before any further move is made, the "Sunday Times" quoted supporters of the Defence Minister as saying.

In this period the Egyptians could reopen the Canal and rebuild their devastated canal zone cities and Israel get continued security and would be able to forge ahead with its long-term plan for the area "without prejudice to Egyptian sovereignty," it said.

Under Dayan's plan, the newspaper said, Israel would hold on to Sharm el-Sheikh and would go on pumping oil from Abu Rudeis on the western coast of Sinai.



Prince Charles, in uniform as colonel of the Royal Regiment of Wales, with Lady Jane Wellesley, daughter of the Duke of Wellington, when they attended the final performance of the Royal Tourment at Earl's Court last year. (AP radiophoto)

## 'IMPORTANT' SADAT SPEECH ON FRIDAY

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter Egyptian President Anwar Sadat will next Friday deliver a major political speech to "herald an important phase of national action," according to Cairo reports yesterday.

The Cairo press did not elaborate, but indications were that Sadat will define Egypt's attitude towards the current Middle East state of no peace. He was further expected to provide an assessment for the chances of new Middle East peace initiatives which U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger might promote, to parallel U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim's efforts to revive the Middle East mission of Gunnar Jarring.

In addition, Sadat was expected to devote a considerable part of his speech to the chances of rehabilitating his relations with Moscow, and to his new alignment with Syria and Jordan in a new Middle East front — in which Saudi Arabia is playing a major behind-the-scenes role.

The Sadat speech coincides with Egypt's observance of the third anniversary of the death of President Gamal Abdul Nasser.

## Prince Charles said wooing Lady Jane

LONDON (UPI). — Prince Charles, heir to the British throne, may announce his engagement to Lady Jane Wellesley, 22-year-old only daughter of the Duke and Duchess of Wellington, before the end of the year, the "News of the World" newspaper said yesterday.

A Buckingham Palace spokesman called the report "pure speculation." The "News of the World" said the report was circulating among the couple's close friends.

"The possibility of an engagement announcement soon after Princess Anne's wedding in November was discussed by members of Jane's family and friends at a recent dinner party," it said.

Lady Jane blushed when asked if she might be the next Queen of England, the newspaper said. "We'll see about that. You mustn't jump the gun. It might all be wishful thinking," she was quoted as saying.

Lady Jane is small, dark and pretty and has four brothers. The three eldest are friends of Charles. She speaks fluent Spanish.

## Two girls held in Belfast gunbattle

BELFAST (UPI). — Detectives yesterday questioned two young women captured in a battle between troops and an armed gang in Belfast, a police spokesman said. One, an 18-year-old girl, was shot in the leg.

A battle erupted on the edge of Belfast's Roman Catholic Andersonstown area late Saturday night when a British patrol spotted an armed gang about to open fire on them, an army spokesman said.

"We simply opened fire first and hit two of them, one of whom, a man, got away with several others," the spokesman said. "But we captured the wounded girl and another young woman."

The troops also seized an armalite rifle and ammunition, he said. The area where the battle occurred is a stronghold of the IRA. Detectives questioned the wounded girl in a hospital in an effort to identify others of the gang. They also questioned the other young woman.

In other violence, three bombs exploded in Northern Ireland on Saturday night, all causing only minor damage and no injuries, the army spokesman said.

The target of the first was the home of a Catholic family in north Belfast. The second was a pipe bomb hurled from a passing car at a pub in Bangor, 16 kms. east of Belfast. The third was a bomb lobbed from a car at a Catholic-owned pub in Gilford, southwest of Belfast.

In Britain, Special Branch detectives are investigating the source of hundreds of leaflets distributed to soldiers advising them on how to flee to Sweden to avoid being posted to Northern Ireland, police said.

The leaflets, handed out at a barracks in Scotland, bear the imprint of "The British Withdrawal from Northern Ireland Campaign." They say at least 12 British soldiers have already fled to Sweden. Scotland Yard said the leaflets give names, addresses and telephone numbers of persons in Sweden who

provide legal advice and seek asylum.

"We are aware that the British soldiers who are the army, or who want to, of British policy in Northern Ireland," the leaflets begin, "glad about this and hope more will do so."

The leaflets urge soldiers to refuse to go to Northern Ireland. It said if soldiers do this in groups they are taking a courageous stand, an example to other soldiers "have a great impact on opinion."

## Tunis import more food before Ramadan

TUNIS (Reuters). — Tunisians who observe the dawn fast during the Muslim month of Ramadan have been urged to eat less, the new "Presse de Tunisie" said.

A government communiqué issued yesterday said the month of Ramadan this year would start on September 10. For years religious authorities have complained that way people fasted during Ramadan made up for the extra food they ate by eating far more usual after dusk.

In order to cope with the government has just issued extra food, including million eggs, 48,000 bushels of wheat, 5,000 tons of sheep, 5,000 tons of apples and 1,200 tons of pears, the paper said. But the extra food will add an additional tax when it is

## Soviets say they won't barter for liberalization

MOSCOW (UPI). — The Communist Party newspaper "Pravda" yesterday warned against Western attempts at diplomatic bartering for Soviet concessions at the European Security Conference.

"Especially unseemly is the desire of some circles to create at Geneva an unhealthy atmosphere, to establish at the meeting a merchant-like spirit of diplomatic barter transactions," the newspaper said.

The aim of these transactions was "to exchange the solutions of some problems of European security for some stipulation from the Soviet Union and other Socialist countries."

The newspaper's comment echoed a similar warning from Leonid Brezhnev, the Communist Party General Secretary, in a speech in Sofia, Bulgaria, last week.

The Party leader told the West

not to try to barter for concessions because of Moscow's interest in improved relations was in evidence. Western criticism of Sovieting of dissidents and Westerners for a freer East-West of people and ideas.

"Pravda" denounced what were attempts to give matters priority over the work of the conference.

"No one, for instance, is giving a due place work of the conference to cooperation of Europe in science, technology, culture and humanistic field," it said.

"But it is quite obvious solution of economic and political problems is possible only threat of war is eliminated cardinal tasks of consolidating European security are solved."

## Agnew planning all-out fight

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — Vice-President Spiro Agnew is apparently planning an all-out fight to clear himself of corruption charges and remain in office. Disclosure that Agnew is preparing to set up a legal defense fund was the clearest sign so far that he will not resign as part of a deal to avoid prosecution.

Weekend reports that Mr. Agnew's lawyers were seeking such a deal were dismissed as unsubstantiated rumors by aides, who declared he was not a man to quit, and it would be totally out of character for him to resign.

Speculation that he might resign intensified in the past few days. Agnew was absent from the White House swearing-in ceremony for Henry Kissinger.

The Vice-President has been implicated in an alleged pay-off scandal in his home state of Maryland. The speculation has been fueled by reports — denied by Presidential aides — that the White House was exerting pressure on Agnew to resign, in order to avoid embarrassment to the Nixon Administration.

There were press reports yesterday that President Nixon assured Agnew, during a secret meeting last Thursday, that he was not seeking his resignation.

The President was reported to have said Agnew alone should decide his future. Nixon was also reported to have told the Vice-President that responsible White House aides were not behind the press stories that Nixon wanted him to resign.

STAFF FRICTION There has been clear evidence of friction between the staffs of the President and the Vice-President since it was disclosed early last month that Agnew was under criminal investigation. There is no authoritative word on the state of relations between Nixon and Agnew themselves.

But expression of confidence in the Vice-President by Nixon spokesmen have seemed to some observers grudging and less than wholehearted, prompting speculation that the

President views Agnew as a liability as he struggles to overcome the Watergate scandal.

Agnew's lawyers will go to court this week in what informed sources said would be an effort to terminate the investigation of the Vice-President. His lawyers have taken the position that the U.S. Constitution forbids putting him on trial, unless he is first removed from office by Congress.

Judith Best, one of Agnew's lawyers, said their legal arguments "will be consistent with our position on the Constitutional implications" of the Vice-President.

Details of Agnew's legal defense fund are expected to be announced this week. Plans to set up the fund were disclosed on Saturday by Ag-

new's press secretary, Thompson. Its purpose would be to meet the cost of the current manoeuvres and to give Agnew money to pay for the best defense in any criminal case against him.

An opinion poll published in "Newsweek" magazine yesterday said 66 per cent of those interviewed do not think the Vice-President should resign, but 53 per cent said he should leave office if indicted on bribery or other crime.

WEAPONS. — The Singapore government has outlawed the sale of nine weapons, including offensive — including swords, spears and knives — its latest crackdown on crime.

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## Soviet police arrest Jewish protester, seize reporter's film

SCOW (UPI). — Soviet police yesterday arrested a Jewish Jew protesting the Government's denial in exit-visa and detained for 90 days a U.S. correspondent covering the demonstration. The news, Roger Ledington, of the Associated Press, was released only after police had forcibly confiscated film of Arkady Shpilberg, a sign reading "Let me go my family in Israel."

The one-man demonstration took place outside the headquarters of Communist Party's Central Committee in downtown Moscow. Ledington, the only Western correspondent there, said he was "shocked by the police action and the police action as he was getting his car and ordered to turn over film. He said he refused and escorted back to the Party building."

The police official denied Ledington permission to telephone the U.S. Embassy during the one-half hour he was held in the building. The correspondent released after a group of police forcibly confiscated the film of Shpilberg's demonstration. Ledington, the detention, an Embassy spokesman said the Soviet Union appeared to be a violation of consular agreement between the nations. The accord provides the right of citizens to call their respective embassies when detained. A spokesman said the Embassy did not determine if the incident warranted an official protest to the U.S. Embassy. Shpilberg, a 25-year-old Riga engineer, was used from a Soviet labour camp month after serving a three-term in connection with an alleged hijack plot by a group of ingrad Jews in 1971. His wife, who was issued exit visas to elude before Shpilberg was released from the camp, Jewish was reported. Shpilberg's wife told newsmen in Aviv recently that her husband had been denied permission to join family, because he refused to admit guilt at his trial. Shpilberg

had tried in vain to obtain an exit visa from various Government and Party agencies, and his one-man demonstration yesterday was a desperate attempt to show the Soviet authorities his desire to leave for Israel.

The young Jew's plight has attracted the attention of Soviet nuclear physicist Andrei Sakharov, who appealed on Saturday to world public opinion for help in Shpilberg's case.

Sakharov has been the target of an intense press campaign since warning the West not to accept détente with the U.S.S.R. unless Moscow liberalizes its domestic policies. On Saturday, he said the authorities' "position over the Shpilberg case represented a violation of justice and legality."

Meanwhile, a Soviet court has ordered psychiatric treatment for former Major-General Pyotr Grigorenko, informed sources said here yesterday.

On Thursday, it was reported that Grigorenko had been transferred to a general hospital southeast of Moscow. But sources said yesterday the hospital was an ordinary mental institution at Stolbovaya, 80 kms. from the capital.

Grigorenko, 66, was dismissed from the Soviet army in 1964 after taking part in dissident activities. He was arrested for protesting the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia in 1968. He was subsequently declared insane and transferred to a prison psychiatric hospital near the Polish border.

(UPI, Reuters)

## Soviet spacecraft will attempt Mars landing

SCOW. — The U.S.S.R., yesterday lifted a corner of the veil of secrecy that normally shrouds its space programme and said that at least one of its four probes now on way to Mars would try to land on the planet next March.

Professor Roald Sagdeyev, new director of the Soviet Space Research Institute, said in an interview published in the Communist paper "Pravda" that the probe for the four spacecraft would fly-by and orbiting Mars.

Another unusual departure from Soviet practice, Professor Sagdeyev also reported that one of the spacecraft was having trouble with its metric equipment that transmits information back to earth. He did not identify which of the four spacecraft was having the problem, but said it was launched in a burst of activity between July 21 and August 1, was experiencing problems, said technicians were working to correct the fault.

"The aim of the space experiment is to comprehensively explore Mars from a high orbit, from the orbit of an artificial satellite of Mars and directly on the planet," Sagdeyev said.

(UPI, Reuters)

## Grivas knows of plot to murder him

ATHENS (Reuters). — An Athens newspaper yesterday quoted Greek underground leader General George Grivas as saying that he had been organized either for arrest or his assassination.

In an interview with the liberal "To Vima" (The Tribune), Grivas, who is reported to be hiding somewhere in Cyprus, said the demands behind his not armed campaign against Archbishop Makarios, President of Cyprus, were a letter sent to the paper's editor, George Romaios, Grivas is said as demanding free democratic elections, civil liberties to all, and state and financial control of the political parties in Cyprus.

Archbishop Makarios should also be between church and state," said. In the letter, which was reply to a questionnaire, General Grivas is quoted as saying that people had been assigned to arrest him or assassinate him.

General did not say who had organized the plot as the paper said parts of his letter, fearing censure for violating Greek law.

## McGovern won't run in 1976

WASHINGTON (AP). — Senator George McGovern, Democrat-South Dakota, said on Saturday he won't run in 1976.

McGovern issued a statement yesterday he had made no plans to run in 1976 and, in a subsequent interview, said the statement was intended to rule out any 1976 bid. "I am not going to run," he said. McGovern issued a four-sentence statement in response to a column by Tom Braden, which said the Senator "has decided to try again."

McGovern said he had no plans to run in 1976. "I do know that no such decision has been made," he said. "I have my hands full with my duties in the Senate and in Dakota," McGovern said, referring to his 1974 re-election campaign.

## Japan to bolster defence forces

TOKYO (Reuters). — The Diet's (parliament) upper house yesterday adopted two bills which will increase Japan's defence forces by 7,000 men and establish a new air unit and a medical military college.

The bills, backed by the ruling Liberal Democratic Party, were approved by 128 votes to 89. Both bills had been shelved in the previous sessions because of opposition.

Before yesterday's vote, Prime Minister Kakuei Tanaka described a ruling by a lower court that the 230,000-man self-defence forces were unconstitutional as a "grave mistake." Roars of dissent from the opposition led him to withdraw the remark, but he said the Government's policy would not be amended by the court decision.

The lower court judge ruled that under the postwar Constitution, which renounced the possession of war-making potential, the country had no right to possess military forces even for defence.



Supporting a campaign to telephone Jewish families in the Soviet Union, British actor Peter Sellers phones the family of Benjamin Levich, the young scientist, from London on Saturday to tell them of British sympathy for their plight. Levich, conscripted into the Soviet army despite sickness, is now in a prison hospital. (AP radiophoto)

## Greeks disinfect tourists

SALONIKA (Reuters). — About 35 British tourists who arrived here Saturday night from Turkey were disinfected against foot and mouth disease, a spokesman at a local hospital said yesterday.

The spokesman said the tourists were kept in their hotel for about two hours while disinfectant solutions were prepared for their shoes and the bus in which they travelled from Turkey.

He said the tourists were to visit various sites in Salonika yesterday including a trade fair.

## Amin warns Soviets to behave themselves

KAMPALA (UPI). — President Idi Amin yesterday warned the Soviet Union that if it behaves like the U.S. it will lose the confidence of peace-loving countries.

In a cable to President Houari Boumedienne of Algeria as chairman of the non-aligned countries conference, the Ugandan leader said the peace-loving countries will lose confidence in the Soviet Union if it takes actions similar to the Americans "who have used everything at their disposal to impose their will on some countries in the third world."

## Chinese took river island, beat Russians in border war

LONDON (AP). — Mainland China has emerged the victor from a series of border clashes with the Soviet Union which culminated in heavy fighting four years ago, a British correspondent reported yesterday.

Writing in the "Sunday Times," author and journalist Neville Maxwell said the strategic Ussuri River island of Chempao on China's northeastern frontier is now in Peking's hands.

Maxwell was said by the "Sunday Times" to be the first westerner to visit the scene of the 1969 border fighting. "He obtained detailed accounts from the Chinese involved in the fighting. He spoke to local fishermen and to China's army," the newspaper stated.

Chempao Island lies in the middle of the Ussuri River between China and the Soviet Union. The Soviets claim their frontier extends to the Chinese bank of the river — the Chinese claim the border runs midstream, leaving the island just inside its territory.

Maxwell reported: "The Russians claimed that when they last fought here four years ago they threw the Chinese back to their own bank, and it has been almost universally believed since then that Russian forces control the island. But then our boat swung into the river arm and nosed up to the Chempao bank. It was Chinese frontier guards... who welcomed us ashore."

He said Soviet military power is "demonstrably evident" from the Chinese side along the eastern borders. "On the rivers where the Chinese have nothing more than unarmed motor launches the Russians patrol in rakish gunboats, cannon fore and aft, rocket launchers amid ships. Helicopters link the frequent wooden watchtowers on the Soviet bank... and in the long winter when the rivers freeze solid, armoured cars and personnel carriers take up the patrolling."

Maxwell said he visited the Chempao area in July. He said a "coherent and consistent" account emerged of two principal decisive battles for Chempao in 1969, both of which ended with the Soviet forces thrust back from China's claimed frontier.

On March 2, 1969, he reported, China suffered 20 dead and 34 wounded and claimed the Russians lost up to 62 dead and wounded out of 70 who had fought. Moscow, he said, has admitted to 31 dead and 14 wounded.

Thirteen days after, the second and heavier battle took place. Throughout March 15 there were three Soviet attacks, Maxwell said.

The final thrust was launched by 10 medium tanks, 14 armoured cars and a large infantry force following an artillery bombardment. China used recoilless rifles and mortars.

Soviet infantry casualties, the Chinese said, included about 60 dead. China admitted losing 12 killed and 21 wounded.

## Kuwait MPs rap co-education

KUWAIT (Reuters). — Some Members of the Parliament and students have separately protested at limited introduction of co-educational classes at Kuwait University.

A week after the academic year began, six M.P.s registered their protests with the acting emir, Crown Prince Sheikh Jaber al-Ahmed, and acting Premier and Defence Minister Sheikh Saad al-Abdulla.

A group of students meanwhile distributed protest leaflets, suggesting possible return of a student split on the co-education issue, which caused campus unrest here two years ago.

The Kuwait cabinet recently approved a proposal from the university council allowing male and female students to share classes in the commerce, economics, and political science faculties.

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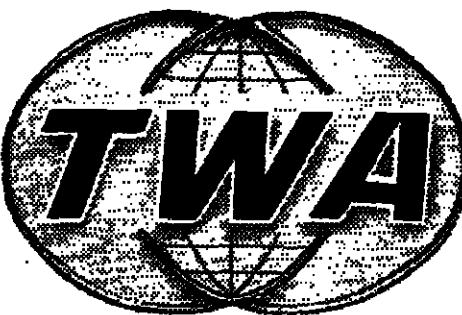
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## Dov Ben-Meir's book: 'Crisis in Israel Society' A FRANK LOOK INSIDE THE LABOUR PARTY

By Mark Segal

It is unusual that an active politician, who is an insider in our Labour Establishment, should produce an analysis that is an incisive examination not simply of the achievements but also the failings of our political system.

Dov Ben-Meir, at 48, is already well out of the undergrowth of Israeli politics having served as Secretary of the influential Tel Aviv branch of the Labour Party since 1970. He would have become Secretary of the powerful Labour Council, but was placed No. 2 on the list after the incumbent, the veteran Uri Alpert, refused to budge.

A loyal lieutenant of Gush chief, Mayor Yehoshua Rabinowitz, Ben-Meir knows the workings of the inner wheels of Israeli politics. His book is a defence of the Labour Party and especially all that Mapai continues to stand for. But he is also unexpectedly frank, considering the book, published by Carta of Jerusalem, appears in an election year.

### Story of a generation

His career reflects the story of an entire generation—the Pardes Hanna Agricultural School, member of the Mahanot Olam youth movement, service in the Palmah, the War of Independence, founding member of a border kibbutz (Masayan Baruch), then leadership work in the youth movement, economics and political science at the Hebrew University, civil service—at the behest of the late Education Minister Zalman Aranne he became first director of the Civic Information Authority, later



Dov Ben-Meir (Starphoto)

chosen first director of the Government Publications Service. Then in 1962 at Mrs. Suzanne Eban's request he moved to Tel Aviv to run the Anti-Cancer Association making it the biggest voluntary organization in Israel.

In an interview, Ben-Meir told me he decided to write the book under the impact of the kind of questions posed when giving literally thousands of lectures to all sections of the population. "There is a malaise and people are looking for someone to blame," he says.

### Normality crisis

Israel's crisis, Ben-Meir holds, derives from its having become a normal society. "It was Bialik who said we will only achieve normality when we have thieves and prostitutes. Well we have more than enough of them and we are not happy with it all," he says.

In the book, Ben-Meir stresses that the crisis is exacerbated by the contrast between the underlying idealism of all Zionists and the realities encountered in Zion. In his opening chapter, he argues that Zionism contradicted two world processes: the flow of surplus manpower from country to town. Zionism spoke of a return to the village community; the braindrain from undeveloped to advanced countries of which aliyah was an antithesis. "The resultant depreciation in the immigrant's well-being was counterbalanced by ideological motivation, and the crisis erupts when the gap yawns between the dream and the reality," he holds.

Going back to the early pioneering

days to explain the present, Ben-Meir shows that the personal revolution of the pioneers (religion of labour) that accompanied the Jewish national revolution produced highly-centralized institutionalized frameworks, such as the Histadrut, that were essential foundations for the fledgling Jewish state. He also produces the fascinating insight that, "Israel is today the most centralized society in the Western world because the capital flowed in without ownership and the immigrant labour force had no financial resources. This obliged the creation of centralized administrations to coordinate the two, and these institutions continue to be controlled by the parties."

Although the process of centralization has intensified since Statehood, with Israel's economic development and the greater educational opportunities available, an increasing number of people manage to become less economically dependent on the central bureaucracies. There is as a result also a process of estrangement from ideological parties, especially of Labour. Ben-Meir quotes from a political research study which indicates that the higher up on the economic-educational scale, the less is an Israeli inclined to vote for Labour.

### Labour take-over

Ben-Meir provides new ideas on understanding how the Labour Movement took control of the Zionist Establishment. After first neutralizing the influence of the First Aliya (citrus farmers, etc.) Labour joined forces with the religious Zionism. The Jewish capitalist arrived on the scene too late to be able to break the moulds into which the dominant power pattern had been set. Above all, the withdrawal of the Revisionists from the World Zionist Organization left the field open to Labour, and its hegemony rose on these foundations.

Ben-Meir dwells on the unique nature of the Israeli political party "resembling in structure, more than anything, the advance guard cadres of the Communist Party. The democratic Israeli party is dominated by an elite brought into being by immigration processes, with the small nucleus of pioneers coming ahead of the main camp creating the frameworks and absorption conditions for those to follow." This explains, he says, the mighty influence of the men and women of the Second and Third Aliya, for "in effect the leadership fashioned its own electorate through allocation of immigrant certificates during the British Mandate and later by immigrant absorption policies."

The parties' control of economic assets and their success in absorbing the waves of immigrants produced a political stability known in few other countries.

Ben-Meir adds three other elements which the pre-State Yishuv fashioned and which has made Israel different—a people's army, youth movements that direct youth's rebelliousness into constructive channels, and the egalitarian labour settlements which provide a special contribution to Israel society out of all relation to their size.

### Reform urgent

Ben-Meir, perhaps not surprisingly, says "We have the most positive Establishment in the world," but even he acknowledges the need for urgent reforms. Lamenting that technological change and swift economic growth have replaced real values, he writes: "We find ourselves being treated like the 19th century discoverers of new lands who used to fool the innocent natives with gleaming trinkets into handing over the goodness of the land."

He challenges the accepted Israeli socialist notion that economic expansion and technical improvements are the supreme virtues. This most loyal of followers of Pinhas Sapir registers his concern at the creation of huge conglomerates (e.g. Cial) which are subject to less controls in semi-socialist Israel than in capitalist America, and he wonders out loud about the effect these huge corporations will have upon Israel once the restraining influence of the Finance Minister has gone.

Ben-Meir outlines a series of reforms and focuses on the need to shake up the Israeli educational system of which he is highly critical. He takes issue with his old mentor, the late Zalman Aranne, arguing that it was a waste to have invested so many funds in the junior high school reform which was imposed on the Labour Party as a political decision by virtue of the personality of Aranne. Instead, he calls for a radical departure from present criteria, away from the stress on high schools and universities and back to the primary school. He feels, like many other Israelis, that much of the money expended on the luxurious structures dotting university campuses could have been better spent on improving primary education, and on day creches and nurseries.

In his proposals, he urges a cabinet system of government and greater resources for Knesset Members although this taxpayer takes the liberty of disagreeing with his proposal to increase the number of Knesset Members and accord them much bigger salaries, thereby obviating their need to keep up other jobs.

One chapter reviving some of the polemics of the Lavon Affair has caused some controversy. In it Ben-Meir raises the old spectre of the danger of disloyalty of the defence forces to the civilian government. He claims that David Ben-Gurion "in his haste to accord to Israel a younger leadership sought to step over the established party leadership, the established leaders swung into action causing Ben-Gurion to resign in 1953 but even in retirement in Sde Boker he continued to pull strings... when the Lavon Affair burst into the open he tried once more to get rid of the old leadership... The Lavon Affair caused long-term social and educational damage for it disrupted the leadership's authority, set precedents for undisciplined acts by the Defence Establishment, set a precedent for successful activation of the 'street' (here Ben-Meir refers to the demonstrations and public demand for Dayan as Defence Minister in May 1967) and the seed of doubt was sown as

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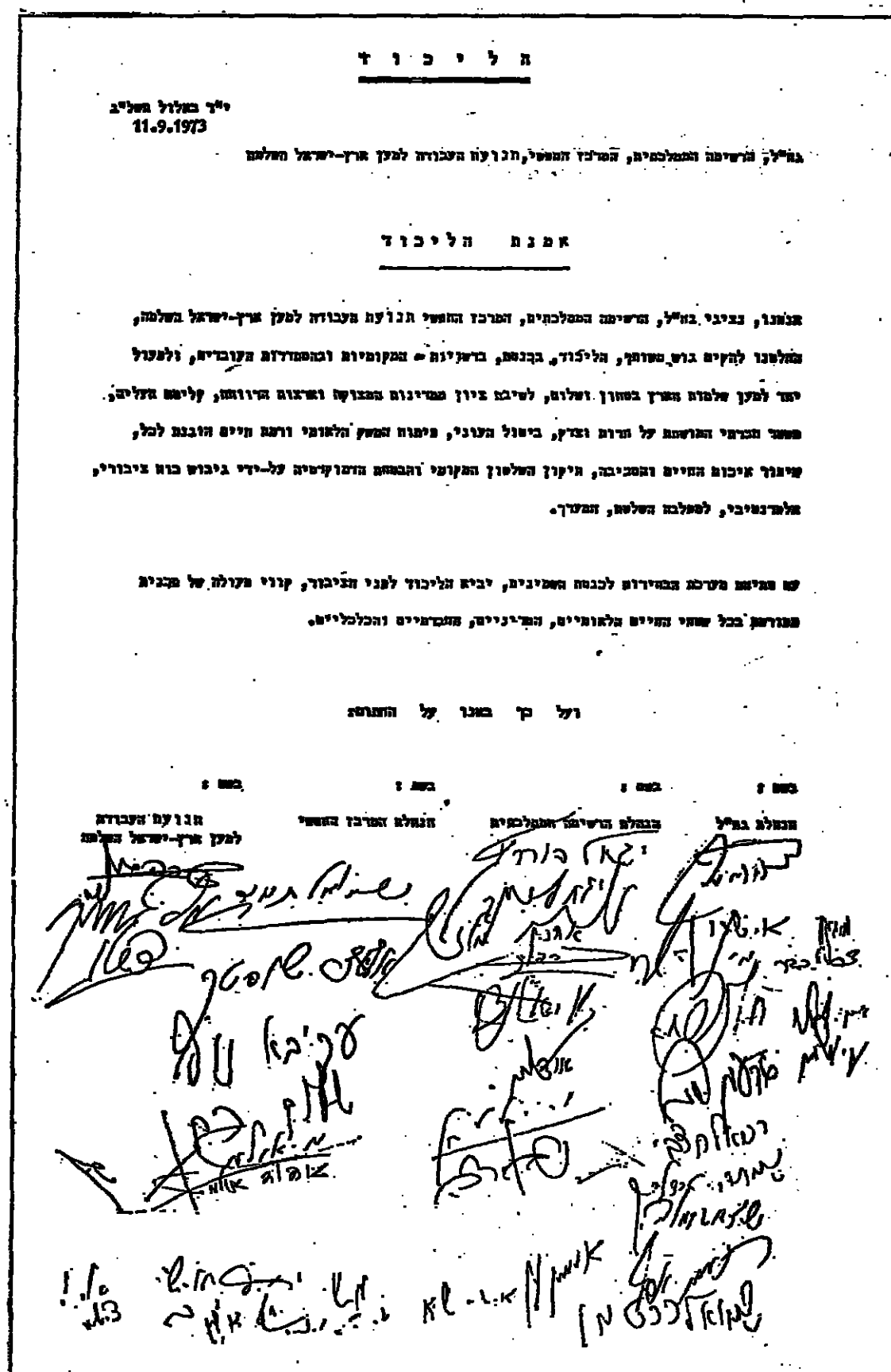
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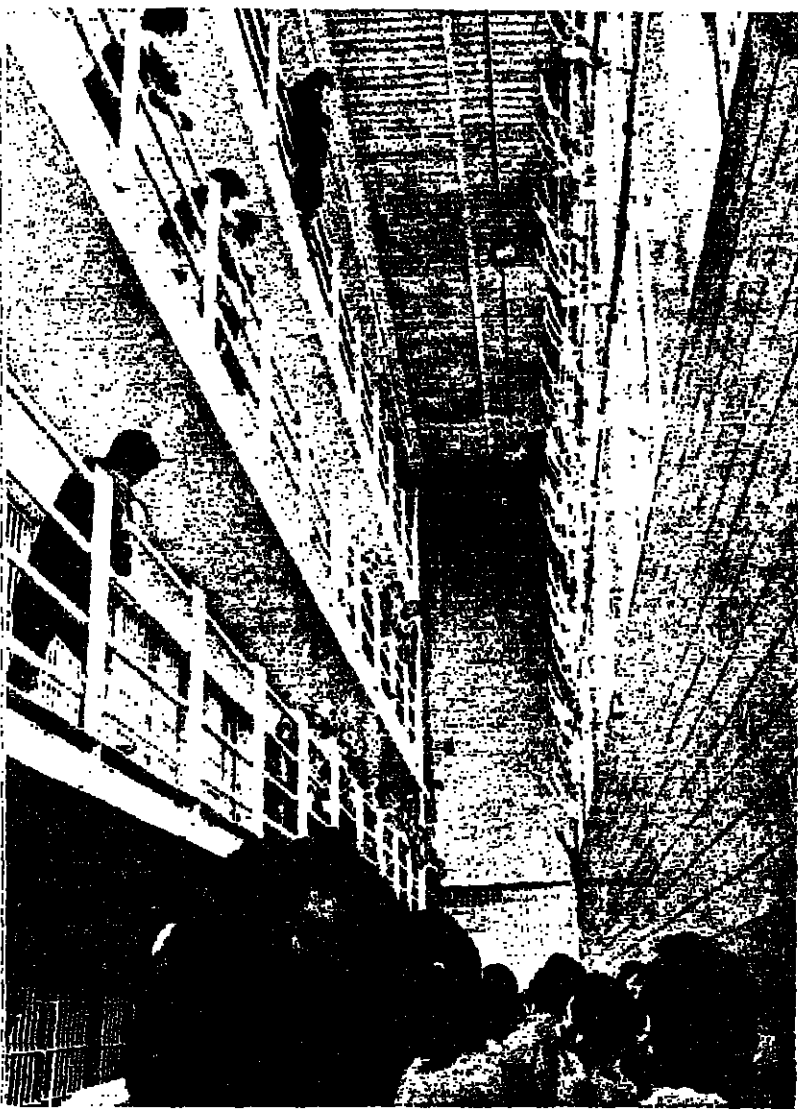


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prisoner gets ready to jump in a scene from "The Glass House."

## Prison life with the lid off

The Glass House (Ben Yehuda, 1 Aviv) is a drama of prison life d was filmed on location in Ula site Prison with convicts acting extras. Derived from a story by man Capote, the characters are utious but it is claimed that the idents are based on fact.

New arrivals at the prison are lge (Alan Alda), a college pro- r serving a year for manslaughter- he attacked a wild driver who ured his wife; Allan (Kristofer hori), a teenager jailed for a or drug offence; and Courtland lu Gulager), a well-intentioned new ad. To some extent the prisoners allowed to run their own affairs d one of them, Slocum (good per- nance from Vic Morrow), directs reign of terror. The chief of r is corrupt and turns a blind : to what is happening and the iden is indifferent. Cruelty of one n to another and drug-taking are nprint, and Paige and Allan are

inevitable victims. It is clearly brought out that putting "innocents" in with hardened criminals is throwing lambs to wolves and that prison seldom has a redeeming influence. When Courtland, disgusted by what he sees, hands in his resignation, all the warden can say is "Well, that's the system and it's the only one we have." The spectator can only feel that in that case there have to be changes. Originally made for television, the film was lauded for its realism when shown by CBS and on the big screen it comes across with power. Although the script is at times on the melodramatic side, it does seem to be concerned with genuine issues so that the picture is both disturbing and thought-provoking. S.W.

At the cinema

## EVEN PARISIANS GO FOR 'FAST FOOD'

RIS (UPI). — French Gastron- y, often called the summit of stern cooking, faces a chal- ge from a trash new world ruder known as "fast food" — American practice of offer- a stripped-down menu and ft carry-out service.

The Paris region presently has approximately 40 fast-food estab- lishments where 18 months ago re were virtually none.

I suppose the heyday of the rant restaurant is over," said rles Teichmann, the manager of quet's, a Champs-Elysees res- taurant-cafe that for half a cen- y set the pace in stylish din-

ouquet's may no longer be the come of Parisian smartness, but still offers diners one star in the -tch Guide and three to four ployees for each table. A meal ally takes more than an hour t costs about IL70 per person - on the wine is average.

across the avenue two pioneer t food places were already bris- serving office-workers their com- er-studied fare: a hamburger, neh fried potatoes and a bever- for IL4.20.

I don't want to believe the fu- belongs to those rapid service -st," Teichmann said. "People like to be waited upon prop- A lifetime of restaurant train- and experience won't let me ve the opposite."

rom across the wide and bustling mps-Elysees, Raymond Dayan, a gy, 40-year-old Chicagoan who ks as Paris' premier fast food- cul, gazed in the general direc-

tion of Fouquet's. "Traditional res- taurants? They're expensive, they take forever and they're keeping an eye on us."

Even in the middle of the after- noon, Dayan's McDonald's franchise, tucked nearly out of sight within a mod arcade, was doing a cracker- jack business. Dayan has two more franchises in the city suburbs. Is building a fourth on the Boulevard Strasbourg and bargaining for a fifth on the Left Bank.

Dayan makes no apologies for bringing mass-production food to the capital of refined eating. "The hamburger is part of progress. We have a good product, and there's no question that fast food will catch on."

It appears to have caught on al- ready with the under-30 set which, some French restaurateurs fear, is revolting against the custom of sit- ting down twice a day to a four or five course meal.

The "American challenge" of fast food is a limited one, however. The Great Parisian restaurants like Lasserre, Allard and Tour d'Argent, he says, are not exactly wringing their hands in anxiety over fast food. With their international re- putations and celebrated chefs, these restaurants, including Fouquet's, will find customers at least until another depression strikes.

But the smaller restaurants are more vulnerable. But operating a fast food chain, where standardization is essential, can present multiple problems in France. Dayan said he had a tough time explaining to Frenchmen why he had to stick to "specks" (specifications).

# THE FUTURE LOOKS BLEAK FOR JEWISH EDUCATION IN FRANCE

By Jack Maurice

Paris

JEWISH education in France is in a precarious state and prospects for the future are alarming according to Mr. Me- nachem Guliadi, Director of the Jewish Agency here. Mr. Guliadi told The Jerusalem Post: "Only 10,000 youngsters out of the 550,000 members of the Jewish community are being educated as Jews. The vast majority are moving away from Judaism."

The Jewish Agency director said: "The danger today is much more serious than when there was little organized Jewish education in France. In those days, the family structure and the influence of the parents were stronger. The scourge of anti-Semitism autom- atically thrust children back into Judaism. But anti-Semitism has now been eradicated — at least among the younger genera- tion. Enlightened young French Jews, subject to liberal and left- wing doctrines, regard Judaism as retrograde. The rising proportion of mixed marriages is a symptom of this phenomenon."

Jewish education in France to- day is centered around 34 schools— excluding the rabbinical seminary — where 4,150 students study on a full-time basis. About 3,000 of the pupils are at schools which are subsidised by the United Jew- ish Fund (Fonds Social Juif Uni- le) from kindergarten up to university entrance level. Most of

these establishments are new: although the first modern Jewish school in France, the Ecole Mai- monide was founded shortly after World War One, most of the others were created to cope with the massive wave of immigration from North Africa during the 1960s.

Another 5,000 pupils study He- brew at ulpan classes which are held in Jewish community classes all over the country.

### More money needed...

There is not much encourage- ment to be drawn from the in- creasing demand by parents to put their children into Jewish schools. In part, this trend has been prompted by the Jewish self- awareness which was aroused by the Six Day War. But another factor is the distrust of the French state education system after the disorders in secondary schools which followed the tur- mul of 1968.

However, shortage of cash is slowing down investment in Jew- ish schools. Despite the gen- erosity of the Jewish Agency and of the French Jewish community it is difficult to envisage a mas- sive programme for opening new establishments. There is also a

shortage of trained orthodox teachers. This is a burning prob- lem in the Talmudei Tora where more and more classes are being entrusted to inexperienced stu- dents, and pupils rarely remain enrolled after their Bar Mitzva.

Although Hebrew has been an optional subject in French sec- ondary schools for the past ten years, few pupils show interest. Parents usually prefer their children to learn English or another "living" language on the mistaken notion that Hebrew is only a vehicle for religious in- struction. However, Hebrew has established itself solidly in the universities during the past de- cade. Thanks to the Franco-Israeli cultural agreements, lectureships in Hebrew have been set up in ten universities.

The outlook for Jewish educa- tion in France depends on a vast expansion programme. This would involve enlarging some of the principal schools such as the Aquiba School in Strasbourg which currently has 600 pupils and the Ecole Maimonide with its 300 pupils at Boulogne where the boarders live in conditions of dubious hygiene and security. The Yavne School at Marseilles (250 pupils) urgently needs new quar-

ters: the municipality has only lent them its land on a temporary basis and has forbidden an ex- tension programme.

A long aspect of the problem is the crisis of more kindergarten- tans so that children are accus- tomed to a Jewish education from their earliest years. The socio- economic development of France is encouraging families, reg- ardless of religious affiliation, to put their children into school from the age of three. But where- as kindergarten facilities are avail- able for families requiring a non- denominational education, they are in short supply for those looking for a religious element.

Against this background, Mr. Guliadi does not disguise his pessimism about the future. He told me: "Things are moving fast. Within a generation or two we could lose a big part of our com- munity. So, even at the risk of re- ducing the emphasis on Zionism, we must stress the Jew- ish quality of our teaching. We must face the facts: out of a population of 550,000 French Jew only 3,000 make their aliyah each year and this is less than the natural rate of increase of the community. So the important point is to preserve what makes us, as Jews, different from others and that will require a costly and wide-ranging infrastructure en- abling as many children as possi- ble to have a Jewish education."

## The most crucial social factor

By H. Ben-Adi



Prof. Solnit and his family learning Hebrew together. (H. Ben-Adi)

BEERSHEBA. — "Integration of services" is the password at the University of the Negev Medical School to open in October 1974 and so it is only fitting that a visiting Yale professor, helping set the curriculum, should be a psychiatrist, psycho-analyst and pediatrician, with interest in social work.

Professor Albert J. Solnit, who is spending his sabbatical here as Visiting Professor of Psychiatry and Human Development on behalf of the World Health Organization, is enthusiastic about the proposed cooperation between the University, Kupat Holim and the Ministry of Health. He feels that Professor Moshe Prywes, president of the University, had found the way to "orchestrate medical services, medi- cal education and medical research."

Professor Solnit is specifically charged with developing a curricu- lum in the behavioural sciences, psy- chiatry, mental health, and human development and linking these studies with the existing clinical services. But though he is interest-

ed in human development of all ages, his primary interest is in children. He feels, for example, that "mentally retarded" children are neglected rather than retarded.

The problems of such children cannot be discussed without con- sidering their families. The parents themselves are often deprived and it is up to the community to provide assistance, understanding and patience. For this, he said, more social workers are needed. He has just completed a study on the role of social work in family life.

"Family-life," he said, "is still the crucial sociological relationship amongst human beings, whether in Israel or anywhere else. When there are challenges, it adapts to them, but does not disintegrate." Speaking of local conditions he said that here, one can not only hope to change the children by reaching the parents, but children can even in- fluence their parents' opinions.

With regard to the generation gap, Prof. Solnit feels that it has existed for hundreds of years. There is evidence that before the indus- trial revolution, children left home to work at the age of eight. How- ever for the past few centuries peo- ple have lived longer and children stay at home through adolescence, making some friction inevitable.

"I welcome the generation gap," he said, "We need boundaries be- tween the generations so that people can feel that there is a legitimacy to questioning and criti- cism."

In his own family, the generation gap seems to be bridged by the difficulties of learning Hebrew. His wife, Martha, and two sons, 12 and 18, were all busy studying with a university student, when I saw them. A daughter has just entered university and another son has fin- ished his studies and is now a rock musician.

## Glaucoma: Early treatment needed to stop blindness

Eye diseases

Dr. Dov explains

EVERYBODY should know some- thing about glaucoma because it is a relatively common condition which can cause irreversible blind- ness if neglected. Successful treat- ment depends very much upon the early diagnosis of the condition.

The pressure inside the eye is nor- mally a little higher than the pres- sure in the air around us, usually between 15-20 mm. mercury. If the pressure rises above this level, the nerve of the eye will eventually be damaged and the condition is called glaucoma.

Glaucoma affects about two per cent of people over the age of 40. It may occur in one of two forms, which I will call symptomatic glau- coma and asymptomatic glaucoma. In symptomatic glaucoma the pa- tient may suffer a severe attack of eye pain, blurred vision, redness of the eye, vomiting and headache. Usually in such a case, the diag- nosis is made quickly and the pa- tient is hospitalized. Some cases of symptomatic glaucoma have less se- vere symptoms such as recurrent mild or severe headaches, recurrent eye pain or blurred vision and re- current so-called inflammation in the eye: some patients complain of see- ing haloes around lights at night.

When a patient with symptomatic glaucoma comes to the ophthal- mologist it is usually not too dif- ficult to diagnose the condition by measuring the pressure in the eye with a special instrument. If the pressure on the particular day of the examination is not high, but the ophthalmologist considers that the case may still be one of glau-

coma, it is possible to carry out cer- tain tests in order to see whether the pressure in the eye does in fact go up from time to time. One such test is to have the patient sit in a dark room with a black bandage on both eyes for one hour. Another test, called the prone-position test, has been developed at the Rothschild University Hospital in Haifa, and is in use in many parts of the world.

In asymptomatic glaucoma the patient has no pain, no redness, no headache — in fact nothing to draw his attention to his condition. In- stead, the raised eye pressure causes a gradual narrowing of his visual fields, a deterioration so slow that it may go unnoticed for years. Of- ten the patient's central vision re- mains intact so that he is able to see small objects clearly and to read without difficulty, but the disease causes a gradual loss of vision from the sides so that he may come to the doctor with the complaint that he keeps bumping into things or that he has noticed when driving from the right or left. Occasionally a patient with asymptomatic glau- coma first consults the ophthal- mologist when one eye is complet- ly blind and the other eye, the so- called good eye, has good central vision, but a bad visual field. The patient may be unaware that one

eye is blind because with both eyes open his vision seems to be in order.

The cause of glaucoma, like so many other important conditions, is something of a mystery. Symptomatic glaucoma is usually associated with a certain type of eye, usually a small eye which in many cases is long-sighted. Asymptomatic glau- coma is apparently caused by an aging or degenerative process in the part of the eye which is concerned with the drainage of intraocular fluid from the eye.

Raised pressure in the eye has nothing to do with raised blood pres- sure. It is not caused by overwork, the wrong diet or any other known factor. It has a hereditary tendency so that members of families of glau- coma patients have an increased chance of contracting the condition, but many glaucoma patients have no other cases in the family.

The treatment of glaucoma is by eye drops such as pilocarpine or by surgery. Usually symptomatic glau- coma can be treated very well by a small operation if performed early enough in the course of the disease. Asymptomatic glaucoma is usually treated with eye drops and surgery is performed only when other treat- ment fails. In either case it is the early diagnosis and prompt treat- ment of the condition which saves the eye.

## Varicose veins show no ethnic prejudices

By MACABEE DEAN

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HERZLIYA. — Childbearing does cause a woman to get unsightly varicose veins on her legs, but the situation deteriorates on slight- ly with each subsequent child. This was reported to the International Symposium on Vascular Diseases, held at the Sharon Hotel here, by Dr. Maria Chwat and Dr. Rema Mordish.

They were presenting the results of a survey among 591 Israeli women working in eight cotton mills — a type of work which kept them on their feet and walking for long hours. One of the findings was that there was little difference between the different ethnic communities (European, North African and Asian) in regard to varicose veins. About one-third of the women from each community suffered from the complaint.

Two of the main factors which caused this condition could not be controlled. The first was a family predisposition — if the woman's parents, both or singly, have varicose veins, there was a very good chance that their daughter would inherit this tendency. The second was the simple process of aging. The older a woman gets, the more the situation deteriorated.

Childbearing was a distinct factor, however. Only a small percentage of women had varicose veins before giving birth, but after the first child, the situation did not deterio- rate noticeably.

The fourth factor could be con- trolled. The heavier a woman was, the stronger her tendency to varicose veins.

A comparison with a survey made abroad some time ago of Egyptian women also working in cotton mills showed that the rate was only about one-sixth the incidence of the com- plaint as Israeli women.

The reason, evidently, is that they "did much of their house-work in a sitting position," and the fact that they only worked a few years in the mills (before leaving to get married).

## U.S. Synagogues award for Kol

THE Minister of Tourism, Mr. Moshe Kol, last week received the Solomon Schechter Award of the United Synagogue of America in recognition of his "unsurpassed life- long devotion to the service of the Jewish people and the State of Is- rael."

The three previous recipients of the Award were Dr. Louis Finkelstein, dean of the Jewish Theological Seminary, Mr. Harry Truman and Dr. Martin Luther King.

In his acceptance address on the occasion of the Award ceremony on September 16 Mr. Moshe Kol made a plea for mutual tolerance between the orthodox and less orthodox con- gregations in Israel. "Free rivalry between religious trends in Israel and a free and full religious life — that is the hope of our country," he said.

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The problem is not so complicated. If you attack it with a suitable meth- od: first of all, check what the vari- ous companies are actually offering. Some companies announce that their machine does not rust. This is an im- portant point, but does their ma- chine also work well, wring, launder and give white washing?

Other firms claim their machine in- corporates some new mechanical ad- vance. You have to consider whether this advance in fact gives their ma- chine a practical advantage.

Some makers claim that they give service. This is an important consid- eration, but an even more important consideration is whether the machine is a good one, whether it will re- quire frequent repair or not.

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## WHAT'S ON







## FAILURE IN ROME

THE month-long conference in Rome of the International Civil Aviation Organization ended in failure. No measures were passed that would combat air terrorism. The delegates were even unable to agree to condemn it.

Instead the sessions were devoted to largely fruitless rhetoric, and it was clear that the most serious obstacle to any meaningful action were the Arab states.

Precisely because of their refusal to agree to anything that would imply criticism of Arab terrorist actions, the Arab representatives were unable to gain wide sympathy for their position.

They succeeded in obtaining condemnation of Israel for intercepting a plane bound for Iraq that was thought to carry terrorist leader George Habash. But when they sought to repeat this in the final resolutions, the conference demurred, persuaded apparently by the threat of Israel's chief delegate Ambassador Amiel Najar to reopen debate.

The best the conference could do, given the Arab obstructionism, was to pass a resolution condemning acts of unlawful interference with civil aviation and failure to return a hijacked aircraft. But all other proposals based on the existing Chicago

and Montreal conventions against hijacking and terrorism were blocked.

It is not surprising, therefore, that the world pilots' organization has threatened to take action of its own. For if the other world institutions that are supposed to see to the security of international air travel prove ineffectual, the pilots who have the direct responsibility for the lives and safety of passengers, and whose own lives are on the terrorist firing line, cannot remain indifferent.

Perhaps the most eloquent testimony to the failure of the ICAO conference was the manner in which it ignored the incident on September 5 in Rome at its very doorstep.

It was on that day that five Arab terrorists were apprehended as they were planning to shoot down an El Al plane with a Soviet-made ground-to-air missile.

The incident did not go much as get a nod from the conference. This alone showed the bankruptcy of this organization in all that has to do with the battle against air terrorism. And while the Arab delegates and their supporters from other nations could go home satisfied with their destructionism, the world's travelling public has absolutely no reason to applaud what happened in Rome.

## SCURRILITY VEILED IN SANCTIMONY

Moshe Kohn

ON another page of this issue, *The Jerusalem Post* is publishing an advertisement which, in view of the considerable licence granted to advertisers in our time, we could not reject, but which cannot be allowed to pass without comment on its scurrility veiled in sanctimony.

The advertiser is a group calling itself the Rabbinical Alliance of America, which comprises mainly American-trained rabbis of what is generally known as the ultra-Orthodox brand (as distinguished from the mainly European-trained ultra-Orthodox rabbis of the Union of Orthodox Rabbis of the U.S. and Canada — Agudas HaRabbanim, and the so-called Modern Orthodox rabbis of the Rabbinical Council of America — Hatzadut Harabbanim).

They lead off their advertisement by quoting Proverbs 1:15: "My son, do not go along with them, keep clear of their ways." But the advertisement does not give us the source or the context of the original. The preceding and following verses of Proverbs 1 tell us "them" are: "My son, but men may tempt you and say, 'Come with us; let us lie in wait for someone's blood; let us waylay an innocent man who has done us no harm... We shall take rich treasure of every sort and fill our homes with booty...' And verse 15 is immediately followed by: 'They hasten hot-foot into crime, impatient to shed blood...'

So opens the Rosh Hashana admonition

of this group of American rabbis to their brethren in the Holy Land to keep the synagogues and the Holy Land holy. Filling the Rosh Hashana air with holiness by classing Israel's Conservative and Reform Jews as murdering highway robbers.

Then sweetly the rabbis of the Alliance caution us, innocent brethren and our children and grandchildren, to keep the Holy Land holy by not setting foot inside the temples of those homicidal bandits and, instead, praying for the security and strength of Israel in synagogues faithful to the Shulchan Aruch etc. Those of us who do cross the thresholds of these temples, we are told, will have been misled.

I submit that the overwhelming majority of praying Jews who attend services at Conservative or Reform synagogues, especially in Israel, are not misled at all. They do so on either carefully thought-out intellectual-religious grounds, or they do so because they are repelled by the total absence of sanctity in most of the Orthodox synagogues. Those who do not read the Shulchan Aruch and the Halacha selectively know that sanctity in the synagogue does not consist only in women sitting behind opaque partitions — which is what chiefly exercises the rabbis of the Alliance at this moment, following the

recent decision of the Conservative Rabbinical Assembly permitting women to be counted as part of the *minyan* quorum for public prayer.

It consists as much in the synagogue being a place where the prayer-leaders and the congregation pronounce the prayers as though they understand and mean what they are reading.

It means that the prayer-leaders are aware of their task as *shlihei tzedek* — "emissaries of the public" — instead of presuming that they are super-numerary entertainers who, the less they know what they are doing before the prayer-leader and the clearer their voices are, the more they must, on the one hand, mumble at machine-gun pace, and, on the other hand, shout and whine off-key.

It means that all the congregants, the *gabbayim* (synagogue wardens) included, are aware that prayer-time is a time for communion with God and not for exchanging the latest political, financial and social gossip.

All this is not a matter of "newfangled aesthetics," as so many Orthodox rabbis like to say disdainfully; it is all written clearly in the Halacha codes whose authority is being adduced by the rabbis of the Alliance.

These codes contain other things, too, some of which have a bearing on the language and tone of the Alliance advertisement.

For example, I refer the rabbis of the Alliance to that paragraph in the Even Ha'ezer section of the Shulchan Aruch, which sums up by telling about people who are constantly discovering faults in other people and are constantly contending with others: *Kol ha'adam bemoama posei* — "He who is always discovering faults in others is doing by projecting his own faults onto them."

I also recommend that the rabbis of the Alliance read again the various discussions in the Talmudic literature concerning, for example, the role of the "evil tongue" in the time of the King David, when the Jewish people suffered so many casualties in the battles they had to fight, whereas the absence of "evil tongue" in the time of the wicked King Ahab caused him to suffer many bloody victories.

Or concerning the role of the same "evil tongue" in the destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple 1,903 years ago.

Or the Talmudic Sages' discussion about why God refused to have the spirit of Naboth in Heaven with him — the innocent Naboth of the vineyard who was so wronged by King Ahab's Queen Jezebel.

Or what we are told in Tractate Shabbat 139a: "If you see a generation that is fearing a great deal of wickedness, and look into the quality of the Jew People's dayanim."

## Readers' letters

### Israel, Britain and the EEC

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
Sir — Your readers should be indebted to Mr. Gal-Edd for his provocative summary "Israel, Britain and the Common Market" (August 18). However, in view of the intricacies of the forthcoming Israel-Common Market negotiations detail is important.

"No one doubts now that Israel is going into the Community." One does not know what Mr. Gal-Edd means by "going into the Community," but if he means full membership — as opposed to association — and if his time scale is anything within the next 10 to 20 years, there are grave doubts economically, politically and geographically.

Mr. Gal-Edd should know that during the recent negotiations the Community has already offered certain concessions on citrus fruit; in fact, import duties will rise from 5 to 8 per cent only and not from 5 to 12 per cent as stated by him. Mr. Gal-Edd says that duty on Israeli plywood will increase while "at the same time the duties... from member countries of the EEC will go down to zero." As a matter of fact, Britain does not import plywood from member countries in any quantity whatsoever. The only source of supply are either from the Community or from countries having limited access only.

The Common Agricultural Policy is a fact of life and will not be eliminated by Mr. Gal-Edd's feeling that it is "unfair to Israel." The Chamber's attempt to suggest improvements in details rather than a wholesale rejection of the C.A.P. is a more constructive approach.

L.E. GOODMAN,  
Chairman, Executive Committee,  
Anglo-Israeli Chamber of Commerce

London, August 20.

Israel Gal-Edd comments: Israel and the EEC are negotiating for a full free trade arrangement. Israel, not being a European country, cannot become a full member of the Community with political rights and participation, but can achieve economic integration with the Community under the free trade arrangement, and that is what I mean when I say "Israel is going into the Community."

Britain's entry into the Community means a worsening for the time being, and until the free trade area between Israel and the EEC is realized, in the conditions of import of certain Israeli goods to the U.K. and most important amongst them are citrus and plywood. This worsening is two-fold; it finds effect in an absolute increase in the duties Israel will pay; and at the same time, in a reduction of duties paid on the same products coming from other sources. On citrus, the main concern is the new preference given to the North African countries who are competitors. While it may be true that Britain does not import plywood today from member countries of the Community, it may be that the changes in duty which will come into force may enable producers in the Community, such as France, for example, which has close connections with the West African plywood producing countries, to enter what

so far has been a market which they have not entered.

I do not remember attacking the Common Agricultural Policy as unfair to Israel. What I did say was that the EEC's proposal to Israel for a free trade area does not at this time include agricultural products — in other words, the customs duties on agricultural products will not be removed. Were the free trade arrangement to include agriculture, tariffs on all agricultural products would be removed; the Common Agricultural Policy would still apply to Israel as it does to other non-member countries, but — and this is the important point — there would be no discrimination between Israel citrus entering the countries of the Community and that coming from Israel's competitors.

Jerusalem, September 10.

### A "MUST" FOR TOURISTS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
Sir — It was my good fortune to be one of a group filling four buses which went to the Fair celebrating the 100th anniversary of the first settlement in Palestine. We were deeply impressed by the imaginative creativity of those responsible for this exhibit as well as the ingenuity employed in the use of the most unlikely materials to produce outstanding effects.

The purpose of this letter, written at the request of many in our group is to ask that serious consideration be given to the possibility of maintaining the Fair as a permanent exhibition, if not at its present location, somewhere else in Israel. This should be a "must" on the itinerary of every tourist.

HANNAH STONE BARGTEIL  
Jerusalem, September 16.

## Unrealistic approach to trade with U.K.

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir — I refer to David Lemmon's report, "Sapir asks U.K. for preferential treatment" (September 7) and his earlier article, "Trade War looms with Britain" (June 22).

In June he advised us that since all British investment abroad is controlled by the Bank of England, the Israel Government might preferential treatment for British, presumably Jewish, investment in Israel to compensate Israel for the current £11,000m. trade deficit. Naturally the British Government with its overall trade deficit to worry about is not anxious to comply.

Mr. Sapir's reported efforts to persuade the British Government seem to this writer, a British Jew, particularly misplaced and just another example of the Israeli Government's unrealistic, "approach to Israel's ever increasing economic problems."

First of all any Israeli economist will tell you that investment from the U.K. is no part of the solution of the trade deficit although, if Mr. Sapir gets his way, it may produce some new hotels and real estate projects of which he seems so fond. And virtually every British Jewish industrialist will tell us that the greater obstacles than the Bank of England's restrictions are the web of restrictions, unrelaxabilities and bureaucracy to be met here in Israel, which usually only leaves investors poorer but wiser.

Has it not occurred to those responsible for encouraging exports, including Mr. Sapir, that the United Kingdom is one country in which we should logically aim at no trade deficit at all because of the extraordinary position of British Jews to assist Israel in retail markets of almost every and any kind?

I calculate that just five British companies alone, managed by Jews, control retail outlets selling in the U.K. over £2,500m. of merchandise per year. To Israel, that is a staggering 50 per cent more than the Israel State Budget. Let anyone

think I exaggerate, the companies are Marks and Spencer, 650 million sterling — £120m. in food and rest in clothing of every type; Great Universal Stores — £700m. in everything from ladies' and men's wear to furniture and electrical appliances; Tesco's £350m. in food and groceries; The Sainsbury's Shoe Corporation, £550m. in shoes, and United Draperies, £250m. clothing, to say nothing of a whole host of others in £50-£100m. class. Why then an ever increasing trade deficit with the United Kingdom?

Apart from an apparent preference by the Israeli Government in years past to purchase its needs in the U.K., obviously a contributing factor, Israeli business methods in particular and often her products as well have become notoriously unreliable. David Lemmon in June referred to one British businessman's description of Israelis as the "parachute brigade" because they drop in without communication or proper preparation for their trips and expect to be greeted with open arms and orders. The result is that such well-known names in Israel as Asias and Elite claim world-wide exports of only \$6m. and \$4m. respectively when such quantities could be purchased by one or two companies in the U.K. alone, given the right products and packaging. But this will only result after intensive study and close and continuous cooperation between companies abroad and in Israel.

The majority of Jewish managers controlling substantial businesses have non-Jewish shareholders to worry for and have little incentive for fostering an Israeli business connection which may leave them embarrassed if it fails, which the record shows is too often the case. It is now a cliché in the U.K. to hear business men say "philanthropy yes, business no" when referring to Israel.

What Israel really needs is industry or Department of Industry and Commerce, and advised if not led by outsiders chosen for their trial skills and not their affiliations.

The establishment of an Israel Trade Centre, Log for the links required between Israeli and British business to study British markets we have an impact, particularly British promoters could be assisting in setting it.

PETER WISE  
Jerusalem, September 10.

### GETTING TO KNOW THE ARABS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
Sir — With reference to "A Belated Acquaintance" (September 10), I would express my admiration for Schwartz's effort to come in with the Arabs. I believe effort demonstrates that it is able to establish friendly relations between our two peoples, and intense attempts in both sides. Mr. F.B. Schwempe should serve as a model for future programmes.

EVELYN  
Jerusalem, September 15.

### PEN FRIENDS

JAN JOOSTEN of Langstraat, 20, Rotterdam, would like to exchange new Dutch stamp Israeli stamps.  
WERNER REHNER (35), Fach 361, 476 Wehl, Germany, to correspond in German with Israeli gtri in order to learn a bit about Israel.  
FRAKASH M. DICHEVA (2 Ratanabad, Tukaram Janji B. Bay 40067, India, would like Israeli penfriends. He is in bus collects stamps and coins.

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### Togo severs ties

Ha'aretz (Independent) says that "even such Arab successes as they limited as they may be, do not justify any tranquility on our part. We cannot afford the loss of even a single sector of our diplomatic front, and must continue to combat hostile influences in each and every one of them."

Al Hamshahar (Mapam) views with concern the growing Arab influence in Africa and joins in the call for "constant and serious diplomatic activity in those African states which still maintain relations with us."

Davar (Histadrut), discussing the U.N. and the Middle East, says that "each day anew the U.N. proves itself powerless to settle disputes between member states. To say nothing of preventing out-and-out crimes against their citizens." Accordingly, little more is to be expected of the U.N. than of the recent ICAO conference in Rome,

and "as long as the U.N. does not adopt the principle of negotiation as the only way of resolving disputes, the situation will remain unchanged," the paper adds.

Hamodia (Agudat Yisrael) discusses the Government decision to maintain price controls. The present freeze notwithstanding, official permission to raise prices is now being granted with a free hand, and in cases where it is not, supervision is left largely to a rather apathetic public. Moreover, opposition by the Manufacturers Association puts its future effectiveness even more in doubt. "The only way a price freeze can be effective," the paper concludes, "is for it to be strictly implemented."

Hatzofe (National Religious) takes issue with the High Court decision that annuls the expropriation of the Emma Berger property in Zikhron Ya'akov, and calls for a law that would ban missionary activity in Israel altogether.

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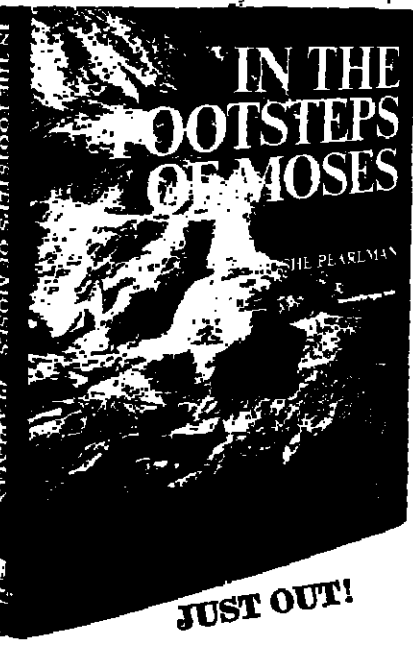
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